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From: Taylor & Aust, P.C.

Re: US Patent Application Serial No. 10/736,441
Title: WEAR INDICATOR FOR SEAL STRIP IN A SUCTION BOX OF A
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 James Gleason, Jr.) Group: 1731
 Serial No.: 10/736,441)
 Filed: December 15, 2003)
 Title: WEAR INDICATOR FOR SEAL STRIP IN) Examiner: José A. Fortuna
 A SUCTION BOX OF A PAPER MACHINE)

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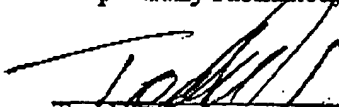
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 6, 2006, Applicant hereby submits
the following Amendment.

The following amendment papers are included herewith:

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